

Serial No. 10/671,499  
Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(a)

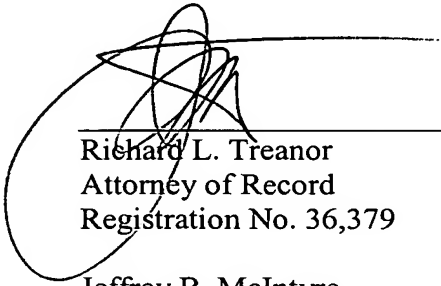
**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

The amendments set forth in the Examiner's Amendment have been set forth herein. Also, claims 21, 23 and 74 have been amended in a non-limiting manner to place the claims into better condition. No new matter has been added through these amendments. Entry of the amendment is respectfully requested.

It is believed that the application is in proper condition for issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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